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SUBJECT: SHIPWRECK OF YACHT ARIEL

REF: WELLINGTON'S 1542

1. GELNAW AND CREW OF THREE ALIENS ARRIVED SAFELY IN WELLINGTON ON JULY 1, 1975. GELNAW, IN PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH CONOFF, STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN ADMITTED TO NEW ZEALAND FOR SEVEN DAYS, AND THAT HE WOULD MOST LIKELY TRAVEL TO AUCKLAND WHERE HE HOPED TO SIGN ON AS CREW MEMBER ON FIRST AVAILABLE YACHT. SUBJECT ALSO STATED THAT IN PERSONAL MAIL HELD FOR HIM AT EMBASSY HE RECEIVED US\$280 FROM A FRIEND IN THE U.S.

2. GELNAW GAVE FOLLOWING INFO REGARDING YACHT: HOME PORT WAS LONG BEACH, CA., AND IT WAS BOUND ON VOYAGE FROM NEW ZEALAND TO HONOLULU WHEN, WHILE MOORED AT RAOUL ISLAND AND CREW ASHORE, HEAVY WINDS CAUSED YACHT TOBREAK ITS MOORINGS AND BREAK UP ON ROCKS. STATED YACHT WAS TOTAL LOSS AND WAS UNINSURED. GELNAW HAS YACHT'S PAPERS WHICH INDICATED IT WAS OF 11 NET TONS AND GAVE YACHT'S DOCUMENTATION NUMBER AS 514/808.

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